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MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, February 18, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.
LOCATION: MONTVILLE TOWN HALL, *Council Chambers*

- a. **Call to order:** Chairman Brush called the February 18, 2016 Inlands Wetlands meeting to order at 7:03 pm.
- b. **Roll call:** In attendance were Commissioners Brush, O'Bday (7:05 pm), Houk, Deranleau, Riske and Berardy (7:30 pm). Staff present: Liz Burdick.
- c. **Minutes.** Approve the Minutes of the January 21, 2016 Regular Meeting.
Commissioner Houk stated that the meeting room was incorrect on the Minutes. Meeting room to be changed.

MOTION made by Commissioner Houk and seconded by Commissioner Riske to approve the January 21, 2016 amended minutes.

Voice Vote 4-0. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner O'Bday arrived at 7:05 p.m.

- d. **Public Hearings.** None.
- e. **Show Cause Hearings.** None.
- f. **Remarks from the public relating to items on the agenda.**

Chairman Brush asked three times if there were any remarks relating to items from the agenda. There were none.

g. Old Business:

- a. **20 Connecticut Blvd** (Map 97 Lot 128), Montville, CT - Marion Stanavage – Update ongoing enforcement action - Cease and Desist Order for the clearing of trees in regulated areas. (*Cont. from 01-21-2016*).

Liz Burdick gave the monthly status on this property. There had been no activity.

MOTION made by Commissioner Riske and seconded by Commissioner O'Bday to continue this item to the next meeting.

Voice Vote 5-0. MOTION CARRIED.

- b. **215-IWC-29** – 87D Cottage Road (Map 63 Lot 6), Oakdale, CT – Merle L. & Jill B. Johnson – Removal of stone prominence along waterfront into Gardner Lake. (*Cont. from 01-21-16* – *Dec. Req. Date 02/19/16* – *35-day extension of time granted to 03-24-16*).

Commissioner Brush stated that some of the Commissioners went on a sitewalk.

Attorney Harry Heller addressed the Commission on behalf of the applicant. Attorney Heller stated that the rocks had been placed on the property at one point and were not ledge. He stated that the work would probably be done sometime next winter. A discussion was held.

MOTION made by Commissioner Houk and seconded by Commissioner Deranleau as follows; After giving due consideration to all relevant factors, including those in Section 10 of the Montville Inland Wetland Regulations and Section 22a-41 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I move to approve the application by submitted by Merle I. and Jill B. Johnson for an Inland Wetlands Permit at 87D Cottage Road (Map 63, Lot 6), as submitted, to allow the removal of stone prominence along waterfront into Gardner Lake as shown on a plan entitled “Improvement Location Survey Depicting As-Built Conditions, Prepared for Merle I. & Jill B. Johnson, Located at #87-D Cottage Road (Lathrop Grove), Montville, CT, Dated September 11, 2005” and more particularly described in “Narrative to Accompany Application of Merle I. & Jill B. Johnson to Town of Montville IWWC for Licenses to Conduct Regulated Activities in Conjunction with of a Rock Prominence Extending into Gardner Lake on Property at 87-D Cottager Road, Montville, CT, Dated November 20, 2015”.

Standard Reasons for Approval:

1. The environmental impact of the proposed project does not have a significant effect on the inland wetland's and watercourse's capacity to support fish and wildlife, to prevent flooding, to supply and protect surface and groundwater, to control sediment, to facilitate drainage, to control pollution, to support recreational activities, and to promote public health and safety.
2. The Commission has determined that the relationship between the short-term uses of the environment and the maintenance and enhancement of long-term productivity will have no impact on the surrounding wetland system
3. The proposed activity will not have irreversible and irretrievable commitments of resources.
4. The proposed project will not change the character and or add degree of injury to, or interference with, safety, health, or the reasonable use of property, including abutting or downstream property.
5. The proposed activity use is suitable to the area.
6. The applicant has taken all feasible measures to mitigate the impact of any aspect of the proposed regulated activity.

Voice Vote 5-0. MOTION CARRIED.

- c. **215-IWC-30** – 85 Route 163 (Map 24 Lots 10 & 28), Uncasville, CT – William J. Pieniadz and John Heller – Installation of a wetlands crossing to accommodate a private access driveway extension. (*Cont. from 01-21-2016 – Dec. Req. Date 02/19/16 – 35-day extension of time granted to 03-25-16*).

Liz Burdick provided full-sized plans to the Commission and advised Soil Scientist, Bob Russo advised in writing said plans addressed his previous comments.

Attorney Harry Heller addressed the Commission on behalf of the applicant. He explained that slope stabilization had been added to the plans. He explained that the crossing area had already

been disturbed. He explained that the narrative had also been adjusted to reflect the changes. A discussion was held.

MOTION made by Commissioner Deranleau and seconded by Commissioner Houk as follows:

After giving due consideration to all relevant factors, including those in Section 10 of the Montville Inland Wetland Regulations and Section 22a-41 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I move to approve the application submitted by William J. Pieniadz and John Heller for an Inland Wetlands Permit at 85 Route 163 (Map 24, Lot 10 & 28), as submitted, to allow the installation of a wetlands crossing to accommodate a private access driveway extension as shown on a plan entitled "Site Plan Showing Proposed Wetlands Crossing, Prepared for William Pieniadz & John Heller, Palmerton Road (Connecticut Route 1673, Montville, CT, Prepared by Advanced Surveys, LLC, Dated 10/19/15, *Revised to 01/16*".

Standard Reasons for Approval:

1. The environmental impact of the proposed project does not have a significant effect on the inland wetland's and watercourse's capacity to support fish and wildlife, to prevent flooding, to supply and protect surface and groundwater, to control sediment, to facilitate drainage, to control pollution, to support recreational activities, and to promote public health and safety.
2. The Commission has determined that the relationship between the short-term uses of the environment and the maintenance and enhancement of long-term productivity will have no impact on the surrounding wetland system.
3. The proposed activity will not have irreversible and irretrievable commitments of resources.
4. The proposed project will not change the character and or add degree of injury to, or interference with, safety, health, or the reasonable use of property, including abutting or downstream property.
5. The proposed activity use is suitable to the area.
6. The applicant has taken all feasible measures to mitigate the impact of any aspect of the proposed regulated activity.

Voice Vote 5-0. MOTION CARRIED.

- d. 216-IWC-1** – 1399 Old Colchester Road (Map 44 Lot 4-3), Oakdale, CT – John and Kimberly Diamantini – Installation of concrete grass pavers in boat launch area. (*Cont. from 01-21-2016 – Dec. Req. Date 03-25-16*).

Liz Burdick stated revised plans had been submitted. These plans included erosion and soil control. Commissioner Brush asked how many boats this would be used for.

John Diamantini addressed the Commission. He stated that the boat launch would be used for a boat, jet skis and a sailboat or two. Mr. Diamantini also explained that he had volunteered to let the police and fire department use the launch for emergencies. A discussion was held.

MOTION made by Commissioner Deranleau and seconded by Commissioner Riske as follows; After giving due consideration to all relevant factors, including those in Section 10 of the Montville Inland Wetland Regulations and Section 22a-41 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I move to approve application# 216IWC1 for 1399 Old Colchester Road (M44 L4-3), Oakdale,

CT, submitted by John Diamantini for the proposed installation of a 4'W x 90'L path consisting of concrete grass landscape pavers for lake access/launching of boats as shown on a plan entitled "Wetland Permit Modification, Wetland Mitigation Plan, Owner: John & Kim Diamantini, 1399 Old Colchester Road, Oakdale, CT, Prepared by May Engineering, Dated 08 Jan 2016, Revised to 02/08/16" with the following conditions:

1. The proposed 280SF (4' x 90') Path consisting of concrete grass landscape pavers shall remain in a natural, vegetated state;
2. The proposed Path shall be used only in an incidental manner for lake access/launching of boats;
3. The Path shall not be used for motorized vehicles (ATVs, etc.); and
4. The Wetlands Enforcement Officer shall conduct a final inspection prior to use of Path.

Standard Reasons for Approval:

1. The environmental impact of the proposed project does not have a significant effect on the inland wetland's and watercourse's capacity to support fish and wildlife, to prevent flooding, to supply and protect surface and groundwater, to control sediment, to facilitate drainage, to control pollution, to support recreational activities, and to promote public health and safety.
2. The Commission has determined that the relationship between the short-term uses of the environment and the maintenance and enhancement of long-term productivity will have no impact on the surrounding wetland system.
3. The proposed activity will not have irreversible and irretrievable commitments of resources.
4. The proposed project will not change the character and or add degree of injury to, or interference with, safety, health, or the reasonable use of property, including abutting or downstream property.
5. The proposed activity use is suitable to the area.
6. The applicant has taken all feasible measures to mitigate the impact of any aspect of the proposed regulated activity.

Voice Vote 5-0. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Berardy arrived at 7:30 p.m.

h. New Business:

- a. **216-IWC-2** –Various Locations – Town of Montville Water Pollution Control Authority - General permit to conduct routine maintenance and emergency repairs with respect to all municipal water and sewer lines. (*Dec. Req. Date 04-22-2016*).

Attorney Heller addressed the Commission on behalf of the applicant. He explained that the application was a General application. He stated the application would be used for emergency repair to water and sewer lines. He described the age of the lines and there need for repair. A discussion was held.

MOTION made by Commissioner Berardy and seconded by Commissioner Houk to continue this item until the next meeting.

Voice Vote 6-0. MOTION CARRIED.

i. Correspondence.

- Habitat
- Letter offering services from a Soil Scientist

j. Other Business: None

k. Executive Session: None

l. Adjourn

MOTION made by Commissioner O'Bday and seconded by Commissioner Houk to adjourn the February 18, 2016 meeting at 7:46 pm.

Respectfully submitted by, Heidi-Lee Jacobs, Minutes Clerk for the Town of Montville.
AN AUDIO RECORD OF THIS MEETING IS ON FILE IN THE MONTVILLE TOWN CLERK'S
OFFICE.